



# CHRIST OVERFLOWING

Christ is in You

*Colossians 1:24-29*

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1. Read Philippians 3:10. In that verse, Paul talks about "the fellowship of his sufferings." Since we know that the sufferings of Paul cannot atone for our sins, in what way do you think Paul shared in the sufferings of Christ? How does Philippians 3:10 relate to Colossians 1:24?
2. Colossians 1:26 speaks of a hidden mystery that has been revealed to us. Verse 27 explains the mystery: "Christ in you, the hope of glory." How would Christ be a mystery from Gentiles (non-Israelites) for so long? Now that Christ has come to the Gentiles, what does this say about the extent of God's plan?
3. In Colossians 1:28, Paul talks about the importance of telling people about Christ. According to this verse, what is the reason for proclaiming Christ? If someone claiming to be a Christian refuses to be instructed about Christ, how will that person's maturity be affected?
4. The apostle Paul gave himself for the purpose of proclaiming Christ. Read 1 Corinthians 5:10. What was it that gave Paul the strength to work so hard for the cause of Christ? Is the source of Paul's strength available to us? What must we do to avail ourselves to it?

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*24 Now I rejoice in my sufferings for you, and I am completing in my flesh what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for his body, that is, the church. 25 I have become its servant, according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, 26 the mystery hidden for ages and generations but now revealed to his saints. 27 God wanted to make known among the Gentiles the glorious wealth of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. 28 We proclaim him, warning and teaching everyone with all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ. 29 I labor for this, striving with his strength that works powerfully in me.*

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